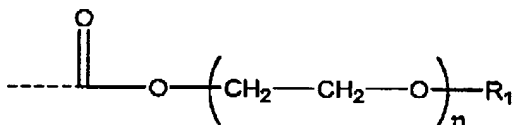


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REMARKS

Claim 1 is being amended to more particularly claim one embodiment of the present invention. The amendment introduces no new matter. In particular, the original structure referred to as "(b)" in claim 1 as filed has been replaced by the following structure:



Applicant submits that this structure is supported in the specification, *inter alia*, in the Examples, by verbal description, even though the structure itself does not appear in the specification as filed.

Claims 2-3 and 5 are being cancelled. Please cancel claims 2-3 and 5 without prejudice. Claim 4 is being amended to remove its dependency from now-cancelled claim 2.

New claims 6-14 are being added. Claim 6 recites specific monomer units having a first structure as recited in claim 1, and is supported in the specification as filed, *inter alia*, on pages 5, line 29 through page 6, line 7. Claim 7 recites specific monomer units having a second structure as recited in claim 1, and is supported in the specification as filed, *inter alia*, on page 6, line 23 through page 7, line 3.

Claim 8 recites additional monomeric units that can be present in the polymer used in the process of claim 1, and is supported in the specification as filed, *inter alia*, in Example 4.

Claim 9 is being added to recite a preferred embodiment of a polymer for use in the process recited in claim 1 and is supported in the specification as filed, *inter alia*, in Example 1.

Claims 10-14 are being added to recite an embodiment of the present invention which Applicant inadvertently failed to claim in the Application as filed. Claims 10-14 introduce no new matter, and are supported throughout the specification as filed, *inter alia*, in originally-filed claims 1 and 2.

The specification is being amended to correct an error in the Examples, where an incorrect molar ratio was recited in the original specification. This amendment introduces no new matter, and Applicant respectfully submits that the correct molar ratio can be deduced from the weight ratios recited in the Examples. However, supporting documentation can be provided at the Examiner's request.

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Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (b) as anticipated by Anderson et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,985,332. Applicant submits that Anderson does not disclose a process for fabricating an electronic device comprising coating a substrate with a positive photo-imageable protective layer comprising a polymer as recited in claim 1 as presently amended.

Claims 1-5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (b) as anticipated by Miyake et al., EP 936504. Applicant submits that Miyake does not disclose a process for fabricating an electronic device comprising coating a substrate with a positive photo-imageable protective layer comprising a polymer as recited in claim 1 as presently amended.

Applicant further submits that neither Anderson nor Miyake, alone or in combination, disclose, teach, or suggest a polymer having the monomeric composition as recited in newly added claims 10-14.

CONCLUSION

Applicant submits that all of claims 1, 4, and 6-14 are in condition for allowance. In view of the foregoing, allowance of the above-referenced application is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees due in connection with this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 04-1928 (E. I. duPont de Nemours and Company).

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